

Docket No.: 1076.1063

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Yuuichi TACHINO et al.

Serial No. 09/775,653

Group Art Unit: 1763

Confirmation No. 9294

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Examiner: Anna M. Crowell

PLASMA ETCHING METHOD AND APPARATUS For:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE** 

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 16, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on January 16, 2003. A petition and fee for a two-month Extension of Time is enclosed, thereby extending the response period to March 16, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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